# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

MICHAEL TAYLOR,

Plaintiff,

v.

**CIVIL ACTION** 

EXPERIAN INFORMATION SOLUTIONS, INC.,

Defendant.

No. 1:11-cv-01019-AT-GGB

# MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S SCHEDULING ORDER AND INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTIONS

The parties have filed their joint preliminary report and discovery plan ("PRDP"). The time limits for adding parties, amending the pleadings, filing motions, completing discovery, and discussing settlement are as stated in the above completed PRDP form. This action will be set for trial after all dispositive motions have been ruled on, provided claims remain for disposition. The parties have requested a two-month extension to the normal four-month discovery period, which request is **GRANTED**. The discovery period now ends on **February 27, 2012**.

## **NOTICE REGARDING SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTIONS**

You are hereby notified that, within 21 days from the date a motion for summary judgment is served upon you by an opposing party, you must file all materials – including any affidavits, depositions, answers to interrogatories, admissions on file, and any other relevant materials – which you wish to be considered in opposition to the motion for summary judgment. Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 56(c); Local Rule 56.1, NDGa.; Moore v. State of Florida, 703 F.2d 516, 519 (11th Cir. 1983).

You are also notified that, unless otherwise stated by the trial court, the court will take the motion for summary judgment under advisement immediately upon the expiration of the 21-day period and may rule upon it at anytime thereafter. Absent unusual circumstances, a hearing will *not* be scheduled for consideration of the motion. See Moore, 703 F.2d at 519. See also Donaldson v. Clark, 786 F.2d 1570, 1575 (11th Cir. 1986); Griffith v. Wainwright, 772 F.2d 822, 825 (11th Cir. 1985).

The entry of summary judgment by the trial court is a *final* judgment on the claim or claims decided. Finn v. Gunter, 722 F.2d 711, 713 (11th Cir. 1984). Whenever the nonmoving party bears the burden of proof at trial on a dispositive issue, and the party moving for summary judgment has demonstrated the absence of any

genuine issue of fact, the nonmoving party must go beyond the pleadings and must designate, by affidavit or other materials, "specific facts showing that there is a genuine issue for trial." Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(e); <u>Celotex Corp. v. Catrett</u>, 477 U.S. 317, 324 (1986).

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTIONS**

### 1. <u>Statement of Undisputed Material Facts</u>

Whenever a motion for summary judgment is filed, it must be accompanied by "a separate, concise, numbered statement of the material facts to which the movant contends there is no genuine issue to be tried." LR 56.1(B)(1), NDGa. "Each material fact must be numbered separately and supported by a citation to evidence proving such fact. The court will not consider any fact: (a) not supported by a citation to evidence (including page or paragraph number); (b) supported by a citation to a pleading rather than to evidence; (c) stated as an issue or legal conclusion; or (d) set out only in the brief and not in the movant's statement of undisputed facts." <u>Id.</u>

The non-moving party shall file a response to the moving party's statement of undisputed material facts. "This response shall contain *individually numbered*, *concise*, *nonargumentative* responses corresponding to each of the movant's numbered undisputed material facts." LR 56.1(B)(2), NDGa. (emphasis added). Neither party

shall include in its statement or response any argument, speculation, or unsupported statements.

The Court will deem as admitted those facts in the moving party's statement that the non-moving party has not directly refuted with a concise response supported by specific citations to evidence (including page or paragraph number). LR 56.1(B)(2), NDGa.

# 2. <u>Deposition Transcripts</u>

The original (or a complete copy) of all depositions that are referred to by either party in support of, or in opposition to, a motion for summary judgment shall be filed with the court. Copies of individual deposition pages referred to in the parties' memoranda of law need <u>not</u> be attached to the memoranda or otherwise submitted in a separate form.

# 3. <u>Length of Brief</u>

Absent written permission by the court, no party may file a brief in support of a motion, or in response to a motion, exceeding 25 double-spaced pages in length, and no party may file a reply brief exceeding 15 double-spaced pages. A motion requesting an increase in the page length for a brief must be filed prior to the due date for the brief. The text of a brief, <u>including footnotes</u>, must be printed in one of the

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fonts and font sizes specified in Local Rule 5.1(C), or if type written, in a font that produces no more than 10 characters per inch of type.

### 4. <u>Consolidated Pretrial Order</u>

If a motion for summary judgment is filed, the Consolidated Pretrial Order will be due 30 days after the District Court's final ruling on the motion for summary judgment, provided there are matters left to be tried.

**IT IS SO ORDERED**, this 31st day of August, 2011.

<u>Lerrilyn D. Brill</u> GERRILYN G. BRILL

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE